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INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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SUBJECT: CUBAN INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA.

FOR THE AMBASSADOR.

1. YOU WILL NOTE IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF CURRENT FOREIGN RELATIONS THE DEPARTMENT'S ANALYSIS OF THE CONSIDERATIONS WHICH MAY HAVE LED CUBA TO INTERVENE IN ANGOLA AND THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT ACTION IN THE HEMISPHERE. THIS ANALYSIS IS NECESSARILY QUITE SPECULATIVE. WE WOULD BENEFIT FROM THE VIEWS OF TOP POLICY MAKERS IN YOUR COUNTRY, WHOM WE PRESUME ARE ALSO ATTEMPTING TO ANALYZE THE CAUSES AND THE POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF CUBA'S INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA.

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2. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTIONS, PLEASE SEEK AN OPPORTUN-

ITY TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT WITH; YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER OR OTHER APPROPRIATE SENIOR OFFICIAL. YOU MAY DRAW ON THE CFR ARTICLE. YOUR APPROACH SHOULD BE LOW KEY SO AS TO AVOID THE IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE ASKING FOR SOMETHING OPERATIONAL. WE ARE NOT. ALTHOUGH WE WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE INTERESTED IN ANY IDEAS THEY MAY HAVE AS TO POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS UNDER WHICH CUBAN INTERVENTION MIGHT BE ENDED.

3. OUR MAIN PURPOSE IS TO INITIATE A STYLE OF CONSULTATION ON THE CUBAN INTERVENTION THAT GOES BEYOND THE PAST INFORMATION WE HAVE PROVIDED, AND ENGAGES THEM AS SERIOUS AND INTERESTED PARTIES.

4. GUATEMALA PLEASE PASS TO ASST. SECRETARY ROGERS. KISSINGER

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